

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method and apparatus for processing seed or seed samples includes an autonomous sorter which sorts seed by pre-programmed criteria. Optional features can include a
5 counter to autonomously ensure the correct number of seeds to a seed package, a cleaning device, a sheller, and a label applicator. A conveyance path, controlled automatically, can move the seed to appropriate and desired stations during the processing while maintaining the sample segregating from
10 other samples. Validation of the sample can be pre-required and information about the sample can be derived and stored for further use.